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ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE FOR FUEL CELL OPERABLE IN MEDIUM

TEMPERATURE RANGE, FUEL CELL USING THE SAME, AND MANUFACTURING

**METHODS THEREFOR** 

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5. References (WO 99/52159; DE 19914571 C2; WO 98/13062 A; WO 99/39398 A; WO 98/21777 A; WO 00/39876 A) cited in the foreign Office Action were previously cited in an IDS filed June 27, 2008.

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